GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2638
ANSWERED ON:06.12.2001
PETROL RESERVES IN RAJASTHAN
NIHAL CHAND CHAUHAN

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any petrol reserves in Rajasthan alongwith the number of pumps installed to pump out petrol in the State:

(b) whether any zones were constituted on exploration work for petrol with joint ventures; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and break up of share of such ventures along with loss suffered by the Government, if any, in the exploration work?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas and Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs(Shri Santosh Kumar Gangwar)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2638 for answer on 6.12.2001 regarding Petrol Reserves in Rajasthan

(a): The estimated oil reserves in Rajasthan in the areas of operation of Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Ltd. (ONGC), Oil India Ltd (OIL) and Private/joint venture companies is 4.75-7.35 Million Metric Tonne(MMT) including about 2.20 MMT of heavy oil.

(b) & (c): Government of India had signed Production Sharing Contracts(PSCs) for five exploration blocks in Rajasthan, out of which four were signed with private companies prior to NELP and one under NELP-II with OIL. However, PSC for one block has since been closed. The details of the other four blocks are given below:-

Block	Contractor	Participating Interest
RJ-ON-90/1	Cairn Energy India Ltd.	50%
	Shell India Prod. Dev. B.V.	50%
RJ-ON-90/5	Essar Oil Ltd.	75%
	Polish Oil & Gas Company	25%
RJ-ON/6	Phoenix Overseas Ltd.	100%
RJ-ONN-2000/1	OIL	100%

The Contractors are carrying out exploration work under the terms of their respective Production Sharing Contract and Government of India has not suffered any loss on this account.
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